## House Resolution No. 3824

Whereas, it is with heavy hearts that the members of the Missouri House of Representatives pause to acknowledge the significant achievements of a life gone by, that of Nancy J. Wessley, who passed to her eternal reward on July 15, 2003; and

Whereas, Nancy J. Merrill Wessley came into this world in Kansas City, Missouri, on June 22, 1933, as the tiny infant daughter born to proud and loving parents Robert and Margaret Merrill, who welcomed her into their hearts as a precious gift from God; and

Whereas, Nancy Wessley grew up in the Kansas City area; received her education at Central Methodist College, Central Missouri State University, and the University of Missouri-Kansas City; taught in the Raytown and Center school districts; and retired as librarian of Boone Elementary School after many years; and

Whereas, an eloquent and persuasive defender of the Democratic Party and its precepts, Nancy Wessley was active in the eastern Jackson County political scene, serving as a committee woman and earning the 2001 Truman Award; and

Whereas, a humorous, educated, and intellectually inquisitive woman who was a voracious reader and staunch believer in the importance of education, Nancy Wessley was an invaluable member of the Missouri National Education Association and the Presbyterian Church in Raytown, where she glorified the Lord as a deacon, elder, and member of several commissions; and

Whereas, Nancy Wessley was a loyal friend, devoted mother, one-of-a-kind mother-in-law, loving grandmother, and doting great-grandmother whose love for her family and appreciation of the vital importance of books, play-doh, and birthday shopping will be greatly missed by her three children and their spouses, Sheryl and Rick Crawford, Scott and Cindy Wessley, and Tim and Tina Wessley; her fourteen beautiful and intelligent grandchildren; one truly gorgeous and obviously brilliant great-granddaughter; and her brother and sister-in-law, Bob and Marleen Merrill:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, unanimously join in paying final tribute to Nancy Wessley, a remarkable woman whose love, humor, intelligence, integrity, and sense of ethics will be sadly missed by all those who had the distinct pleasure of knowing and loving her; and

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, for the loved ones of the late Nancy J. Wessley, as an expression of our deepest sympathy.

Offered by	·
	Representative Mike Sager
	District No. 48
	Representative Cathy Jolly
	District No. 45

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 3824, adopted August 19, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker